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State Parks Seeks Proposals for Contracts at Oceano Dunes SVRA

Oceano Dunes – Today through April 20, California State Parks will be accepting proposals for two separate concession contracts at Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area. One contract is for the operation of a Hummer or OHV Tours Service and the second contract is for a Towing Service. Both contracts include a five (5) year term with the option to extend an additional five (5) years.

The park is located in southwestern San Luis Obispo County, California and encompasses 3,854 acres of land west of U.S. Highway 1, between Oceano and Guadalupe-Nipomo Dunes National Wildlife Refuge.

Proposals are due by 2:00 p.m. on April 20 to the Department of Parks and Recreation, 1416 9th Street, Room 1442-13, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Interested parties are required to attend a mandatory pre-proposal meeting at the Ramona Garden Park Center, 933 Ramona Avenue, Grover Beach, CA on Wednesday, March 3, at 6:00 p.m. There will be an optional tour of the premises at Oceano Dunes SVRA offered at 9:00 a.m. on March 4. Interested parties must contact Dena Bellman with Oceano Dunes District, at (805) 773-7182 or dbellman@parks.ca.gov by March 1, 2010 to request the tour.

During fiscal year 2008/2009, the current tour concession operator reported \$60,400 in gross sales, and the current towing concession operator reported \$113,775 in gross sales. These RFPs are being pursued in compliance with state law that requires a competitive bid process open to all parties for concession operations.

Interested parties are encouraged to download a copy of the RFP at <http://www.parks.ca.gov/concessions>. Hard copies of the RFP may be purchased for \$25 by contacting Concession Specialist Diana Salter at (916) 653-7733 or dsalt@parks.ca.gov.

To learn more, contact Ms. Salter or Concessions Program Manager Teresa Montijo, at (916) 653-7733.

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